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***Abele Praises Legislature's Creation of County Comptroller
Independent, Nonpartisan Elected Position to Report to Taxpayers***

MILWAUKEE – Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele praised the Legislature for approving a bill this week to create an elected, independent Milwaukee County comptroller. The nonpartisan position would be filled in an April 2012 election, pending the governor's approval of the bill. The legislation passed on bipartisan votes this week in the Assembly, which approved it early Friday morning, 79-11, and the Senate, which passed the measure, 21-10, earlier this week. In a statement, Abele said:

"Anything that increases transparency and accountability and makes it easier to be good stewards of tax dollars is always a good thing. This elected, nonpartisan financial watchdog will work side-by-side with both the County Board and county executive but will report only to voters. I appreciate the Legislature's strong, bipartisan support for this bill and the healthy policy debate along the way that helped improve the legislation."

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